

REMARKS

Claims 1-13, 16, 18-20, 25, 29 and 31 are the only claims pending. Original claims 3-13, 18-20, 25, 29 and 30 have been amended to eliminate multiple ranges, to reduce filing fees by eliminating multiple dependencies and to provide minor clarification.

No new matter has been added.

The Applicants reserve the right to reintroduce the subject matter of the cancelled claims during prosecution or in subsequent continuations or divisionals.

Applicants aver that the claims are now in better form for examination. An Action on the merits of the claims is respectfully awaited. In the event that minor amendments will further prosecution, applicants request that the examiner contact the undersigned representative.

Respectfully submitted,



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